HEIRS OF JOHN O'CONNOR TRY TO FIND HIS LAWYER

THEIR FATHER DID WORK, THEY SAY, UNDER THE HACKLEY CONTRACT AND NEVER

WAS PAID FOR IT. The following advertisement appeared in a news

paper yesterday morning:

The advertisement was inserted by P. H. O'Connor and John J. O'Connor, brothers. The former lives No. 19 Pearl-st. The brothers are the sons of John O'Connor, now dead, who was an old resident of the city. He engaged in the street-cleaning business, and the advertisement has reference to the Hackiey claim, which the city was compelled to This claim was for cleaning the streets of the First Ward in the years 1860, 1861 and 1862. There was much scandal connected with the contract, and the city refused to pay for the work. matter got into the courts, and at last reached Court of Appeals, which decided in favor of laimants, who were the heirs of John B. Devlin assignees of the firm of Hackley, Devlin & The elder O'Connor held a sub-contract

and assignees of the firm of Hackley, Deviln & De Voe. The elder O'Connor held a sub-contract from the lim, and the sons aliege their rather from the lim, and the sons aliege their rather never was paid for his work. Boyce, for whom they avertise, was O'Connor's attorney, and had possession of all the papers relating to O'Connor's action of the light over the Hackley contract was still pending in the courts, but with almost his last breath O'Connor died in 1889. The light over the Hackley contract was still pending in the courts, but with almost his last breath O'Connor's did not be been as the contract was still pending in the courts, but with almost his last breath O'Connor did not be claims sooner or later, and that then they would get what was due him. The members of the family beer thought much about it until six months ago. The case had been in litigation for a quarter of a firm of corporation of the case did not benefit, the O'Connor's because they were not directly reference in the proceedings before the Court of Appeals; and, in fact, they do not know what provisions, if any, had been made to fight their claim in the lower courts. Boyce disappeared some years as the fact of the san Francisco. I have considered or employed by the person, firm or corporations, if any, had been made to fight their claim in the lower courts. Boyce disappeared some years as the state of the san Francisco. The former said yesterday:

"I called on Nathaniel Niles, the attorney for the sastinces of the Hackley contract, but it was taken away from him afterward. He then sued the city for payment for the exemptions from taxation as those above and the contract, but it was taken away from him afterward. He then sued the city for payment for the contract of which may be for a mount of the contract of the case. I copied the city for payment for the contract of the case. I copied the city for payment for the contract of the case. I copied the city for payment for the contract of the contract for cleaning the structure of the contrac

CHAT ABOUT PROMINENT MEN.

Thomas G. McKell, one of the wealthiest coal operators in Ohio and West Virginia, returned yesterday from an extended trip in those States. made some interesting observations in the course of his journey. "I was startled," he declared yesterday, 'at the amazing growth of McKinley sentiment over the country. The people take it as a grievance if you talk to them about any one else. Business is improving, and there is a return of public confidence due to the feeling of certainty that a Republican President is to be elected. The people want McKinley, and they believe that protection will bring better times, and they want him because he is the apostle of that creed. They will have their way."

Charles Emory Smith, Editor of "The Philadel-phia Press," is credited with the remark that to the Quay boom. C. L. Magee and the local other night by electing McKinley delegates to the ter night by electing Aickiniey delegates to the Louis Convention from the Pittsburg district. Smith, in commenting upon this defection yesday, said that there was support in Pennsylvania nearly all of the candidates in the field, and teach one had friends. It was State pride, he led, that kept the delegates in line for Quay, but Kinley seemed to be so far ahead that he never uid be overtaken. His nomination now seemed be an assured fact.

was in the city yesterday, trying to apologize for the action of the delegates from his county who that the delegates from his district will undoubtedly be for Morton first, and on a second choice for McKinley. Regarding delegates to the State Convention from Chautauqua and Cattaraugus, he said that they would not go to the St. Louis Convention. Senator Higgins, himself, is to be a delegate from the XXXIVth Congress District, and of course will be for Morton.

The defeat of Mr. Saxton for delegate to the St. Louis Convention by the machine, which substituted Congressman Payne for the Lieutenant-Governor, was a subject of discussion in local political circles yesterday. It was said by many politicians that Governor Morton made a grave mistake in not insisting that Mr. Saxton be made a delegate. The isting that Mr. Saxion be made a decisate. The treatment of the Lieutenant-Governor led to the telling of a story showing his magnanimity in dealing with Senator John Raines. It was shortly after the elections last year. Mr. Saxton had refused to indorse Senator Raines for the nomination in Canandaigua, and later heard many unkind things that Senator Raines was reported to have said about him. He never made any allusion to the remarks, however. A few weeks after the election, Mr. Saxton met Schator Raines in Chairman Hackett's room in the Fifth Avenue Hotel. When the Lieutenant-Governor entered the place the Senator was sitting chatting with Mr. Hackett. Raines drew back and his brows contracted. The Lieutenant-Governor caught sight of him, and those who were present expected to hear something interesting. Mr. Saxton, however, ignored everything, and said cheerily: "How are you, John?" The Senator winced, but held out his hand. In a few moments Senator Raines left the room. reatment of the Lieutenant-Governor led to the

While it has been hinted that William C. Whitney. or some other New-Yorker, might be named as a candidate at the Chicago Convention, Congressman Amos J. Cummings made the statement at the Fifth Avenue Hotel yesterday that the New-York delega-Avenue Hotel yesterday that the New-Tork delega-tion would not present the name of any man at Chicago. "We shall go to the convention ready and willing to work for the best man," added the Con-gressman. "We asked the people of the West to give heed to us last time, and they would not do so. Every one knows the result. Now, we shall keep silent and let them work out their own salvation."

A FINE NEW AMBULANCE FOR BELLEVUE. A new ambulance which went into commission at Bellevue Hospital yesterday is declared to be the at Bellevue Hospital yesterday is declared to be the finest vehicle of the kind ever built in this country. It is so constructed that it can be thoroughly disinfected in a few minutes after it has carried a patient suffering from a contagious disease, and it has a new-fangled spring sliding stretcher, by means of which a patient is loaded easily and comfortably. Its wheels have rubber tires, and it moves without much noise when the gong is not rung. It weighs 1,300 pounds.

THE "UNTER UNS" CHARITY CONTEST. Under the auspices of the Charity and Social Club "Unter Uns" an amateur contest will be held at the Grand Central Palace, Lexington-ave., between Forty-third and Forty-fourth sts., on April 12. More than thirty athletic, gymnastic, singing, musical, dramatic and social clubs will participate and contest for prizes. A jury of experts has been carefully selected to disburse the prizes according to fully selected to disburse the prizes according to true merits. The income from this affair will be for the benefit of the charitable organization that by the majority of votes cast by those present is declared the most deserving. Coupons fastened to the tickets of admission, to be filled out by the holder, will be used in balloting. The members of the clubs contesting being of German, Austrian and Hungarian descent will not fail to draw an international audience. A German home, one of the large hospitals and a prominent Hungarian charitable organization are spoken of as having good prospects for securing a large share of the votes.

## KIDNEY AND BLADDER TROUBLES.

Hospital Department.
Kansas City, Mo., Aug. 8, 1805.

Eastern R. B. L. Co., N. Y.
Gentlemen: Yours of Aug. 6 received, asking the result of my personal experience and opinion of the Ripley Brom-Lithia Water, and so far as I have tried it in cases suffering from kidney or bladder diseases I find in results uniformly satisfactory. I enclose letter from one of my patients at Fort Scott, Kansas, who has been suffering for the past year from urinary calculi. The letter will explain what results have been obtained in this individual case.

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and are new fully prepared to premptly fill all orders. Mr. J. B. Brewster is the Head of the new House; and, as in the past, we shall continue to devote ourselves exclusively to the pro-

43d Street.

CONTROLLER FITCH AGAINST IT

HIS REASONS FOR OPPOSING THE EXEMPTION FROM TAXATION OF THE PROPERTY OF THE COMPANY OPERATING THE

RAPID TRANSIT POAD The amendment to the rapid transit act asked for by President Alexander E. Orr and the Rapid

a burden of expense which it would otherwise have to assume.

The corporation which may bid for and obtain the franchise for operating this rapid transit road is not of such a character. Whatever may be the indirect effects of its operation upon the general public, it will be distinctly a money-making or business corporation, and not an eleemosynary institution. To exempt the property of such a corporation would be, in my judgment, an indefensible legislative act and clearly opposed to the spirit of our Constitution.

Under the exemption provided for "real property used for the generation or transmission of motive power," it would be possible to construct an immensely valuable office building, covering perhaps a whole block of ground, the cellar of which alone might be used for the generation of motive power. Such a building might easily be worth \$10,000,000. Perhaps even a number of such buildings might be constructed, each of them designed to provide in part for the generation of motive power. Argument is scarcely necessary to show how large under such circumstances would be the burden of taxation shifted on the main body of our taxpayers and how deplorable the consequence would be.

#### GARBAGE DISPOSITION BIDS.

TWO SETS RECEIVED-FAT PICKINGS IN THE "SECOND TRIMMINGS" BUSINESS.

day by Street Cleaning Commissioner Waring. Two ing bids were opened. Kelly & McGehan, \$244,000; Barney Dumping Company, which was declared defortive because it was unaccompanied by a bond. For the disposition of garbage, as separated from ashes and other collections, the following bids were received: Kely & McGehan, \$22,82; New-York Sanitary Utilization Company, \$19,900 Merz Universal and Congruction Company, \$144,000; Emil Holthouse, \$175,00, and Alexander Orr Bradley, \$75,000.

JUSTICE SMYTH DECIDES NOT TO GRANT A TRIAL TILL THE NEXT TERM OF COURT.

Charles W. Brooke, counsel for Mrs. Mary Alice Almont Fleming, who is charged with the murder of her mother, Mrs. Evelyn Bliss, appeared before Justice Smyth in the Criminal Branch of the Supreme Court yesterday, and made a motion to dis-

Mr. Brooke submitted an affidavit made by Mr. Shaw, one of Mrs. Fleming's counsel, setting forth that Mrs. Fleming was indicted on September 11, and that the coroner's jury did not charge her with the crime. She has three children, one born since she was arrested. An older one is to be used since she was arrested. An older one is to be used as a witness against her mother. Neithers Mrs. Fleming nor her counsel has been able to see this child since the authorities took her in charge. Mrs. Fleming has no money with which to support herself unless she gets the \$30,00 left by her mother. This she will not receive unless freed from the charge of murder.

Mr. Brooke asked that the indictment be dismissed or a speedy trial be given. Assistant District-Attorney Miller opposed the motion, saying there were certain reasons for the delay in bringing the case to trial, but that a trial would soon be had.

Justice Smyth decided to hold the case over until the next term of court.

#### ARRIVALS AT FOREIGN HOTELS.

Grand Hotel, Rome-Commander W. H. Bronson and family, Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Comstock, John G. Moore and family, H. T. Procter and family, Mr. and Mrs. Post. H. H. Porter and family, J. F. Eddy and family, General and Misc Newberry, Mr.

and Mrs. E. O. Thompson, Savoy Hotel, London-W. K. Vanderbilt, J. L. Savoy Hotel, London-W. K. Vanderbilt, J. L. Webb, W. S. Hoyt, Mr. and Mrs. G. R. Howard, J. A. Fleishman, G. W. English, G. Lander and Miss Lander, Eldridge Torrey, Charles Pfizer and family, H. Schaeffer, Adelphi Hotel, Liverpool-Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Ekock, A. March, Miss Zelle de Lussan, Mr. and Mrs. H. Dent, A. Rothschild, Nelson Morris and family, Mrs. and the Misses Merrit, Dr. and Mrs. Thompson, Captain J. Knight, J. Cumings, G. Kaster.

SHIPWRECKED SAILORS IN PORT. On the steamship Francisco, of the Wilson Line, which arrived here yesterday from Hull, were Captain Gross, and James Neil, August Lundrew and James Smith, seamen of the American brig Hattie M. Bain, of Portland, Me., which, as previously reported, was abandoned in latitude 37:67, longitude 52:67, on February 11. The members of the crew were taken off by the British steamship Sheerness, Port Royal for Hull. The men were sent home from

Hull on the Francisco. On board the Ward Line steamer Yucatan, which On board the Ward Line steamer Yucatan, which arrived here yesterday afternoon from Havana, were Chief Officer Walter, Chief Engineer Mackay and eighteen shipwrecked seamen of the British steamer Caloric, which went ashore near Havana on the morning of March II. The Caloric was bound from Barry for Havana with a cargo of coal, and went ashore at Cojimar, about eight miles from Havana harbor, in hazy weather on March II. The steamer stove a hole in her bottom and filled rapidly. She will probably prove a total loss. Captain Pearson remained at Havana to attend to the wreck.

#### BARNUM AND BAILEY PARADE ROUTE.

Owing to various causes, such as cable-cars and crowded thoroughfares, the route of the Barnum & Bailey circus parade has been changed, If the weather permits, the pageant will pass through the weather permits, the pageant win pass through the following streets to-morrow night, leaving the Madison Square Garden at 7 o'clock: Madison-ave., to First-ave., to Fifty-seventh-st., to Madison-ave., to Fifty-aventh-st., to Fourteenth-st., to Fourth-ave., to Bowery, to Canal-st., to Hudson-st., to Elghth-ave., to Fifty-seventh-st., to Broadway, to Thirty-fourth-st., to Madison-ave., to the Garden.

#### ELLIS ISLAND OVERCROWDED.

Seldom in the history of Ellis Island has it been so crowded as at present. On the five passenger steamships which arrived here yesterday, there were the unusually large number of 2,565 immigrants, many of whom will probably be detained. The accommodations are entirely inadequate for those who are detained or who have to remain overnight. Dr. Senner has already applied to Washington for additions and improvements. SIGNS OF EASTER HERE.

THE DEMAND FOR FLOWERS GREATER THAN LAST YEAR-BEAUTIFUL DESIGNS SEEN.

The return of vernal spring has been heralded for the last few days by an ever-increasing variety of agents. In the first place, the mortality among the ring poets has been appalling. That is a sure sign that joy-begetting spring is near.

Again spring must be nigh-all poets say nigh-be-cause the bock-beer signs frolic in gladsome gayety on the Bowery, and in the evenings the little parks in the tenement-house districts of the East Side are vocal with the laughter of playing children-tenement-house, white-faced children, to be sure, but

But surest of all signs of returning sizzling st of late begun to multiply in the shopping districts prove beyond a doubt that next Sunday is Easter. the end of Lent, the practical beginning of the

The flower-shops along Broadway and Fifth-ave. most holiday activity some days ago, and by tomorrow or next day some of the larger ones will
open additional stores to accommodate their business for the two days preceding Easter. From all
accounts, the demand for flowers seems to be slightly in excess of the demand last year at Easter time,
all the leading dealers reporting an increased business. As usual, files are most in favor, both for
church decorations and for private gifts, with azaleas
second in popularity, and hyacintos, tulips, narcissuses and daises bringing up the rear. In the shop
windows some beautiful specimens of the florists
art art to be seen, many of the combinations and
contrasts being highly novel.

The flowers themselves are of a higher order of excellence this year, than ever before. The cultivators
art advances every year, and the last winter has
been unusually slind to the hothouse beauties. The
fact that Easter comes a full week earlier than last
year, makes little difference to the florists, for they
are able to time the development of their commodi-

are able to time the development of their commodi-ties to the day, and know when they shall be

CAREER OF WILLIAM H. STARBUCK.

died suddenly on Sunday morning, was in some recessful, although he encountered some reverses that the fact that he was fitted to obtain their confidence and trust, and this was in a measure accountable for his success. Mr. Starbuck was born in Nan-tucket in 1835 and came to New-York when he was a young man. He entered the business-house of Cartwright & Harrison in Front-st. He remained with them until 1856, when he associated himself it They made their headquarters at No. 77 Water-st and that firm controlled almost the entire importation of whale-oil and whalebone which as brought in by the New-Bedford and Nantucket whaleshipe After Mr. Tappan's retirement from the firm in 1862, Mr. Starbuck continued the business, adding to it that of a shipping merchant. He became onand steamboat brokers in the United States.

until 1873, when his fortune was entirely swep courage Mr. Starbuck began life anew, and for sev eral years after he had re-established himself, I rare that a steamship or steamboat is these waters changed hands other than his agency. In 1879 he became associated with Henry Villard, in his Pacific coast enterprises, and operation of the Oregon Railway and Navigation and the Oregon Improvement companies, with which he was connected until 1883. He was one

New-York, Larchmont and American racht clubs. Por two years he was commodore of the last-named organization.

He was the owner of the steam yacht Tille, which he named after his wife. He bought this vessel from Samuel J. Tilden, and at the time of the visit of Samuel J. Tilden, and at the time of the visit of Samuel J. Tilden, and at the time of the visit of Sarthold, the sculptor, to this country, he invited the Frenchman and several well-known New-Yorkers to a ride about the harbor in his boat.

For several years he had been accustomed to divide his time between the yacht and his beautiful summer home at Milton Point, which for beautiful parks, about thirty acres in extent, and from its windows one may obtain a splendid view of Long Island Sound.

Mr. Starbuck leaves a widow and two children. His aged mother and one sister live in Nantucket, and he also had a brother and sister, who live in this city. The funeral will be held at his home, No. 8 West Sixty-fourth-at, to-morrow morning at 11 o'clock.

#### FUNERAL OF WRIGHT HOLCOMB.

The funeral of Wright Holcomb, the lawyer, who was well known in Democratic politics, took place yesterday morning at St. Ann's Roman Catholic Church, in East Twelfth-st. The church was crowded to the doors with the friends of the dead man. A solemn requiem mass was celebrated for the repose of his soul, the celebrant being the Rev. William A. O'Neill, rector of St. Ann's. The deacon was the Rev. Francis J. Sullivan, and the subdeacon, the Rev. John Dooley. After the services the body was conveyed to Westport, N. Y., the native place of Mr. Holcomb, and buried in the family plot.

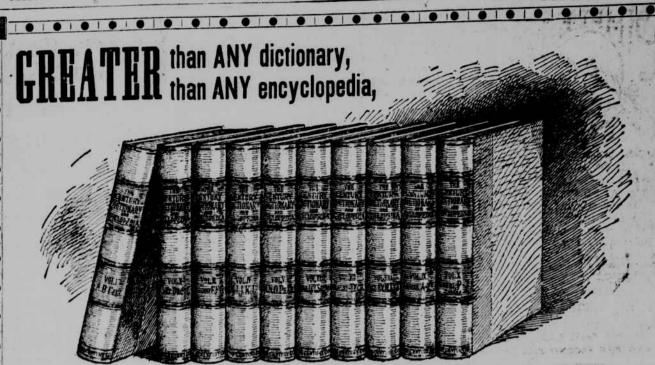
Holcomb, and buried in the family plot.

There were delegations at the services from the Tammany Hall General Committee, Vth Assembly Tammany Hall General Committee, Vth Assembly District; the Iroquois Club, and the Constitutional Convention B. C., to all of which Mr. Holcomb belonged. Among those present were Judge Glegerich, Senator Featherston, ex-Commissioner M. T. Daly, A. S. Hamersley, ex-Assemblyman John A. Foley, Judge Daniel F. Martin, Dr. William Fred Holcomb, Dr. John T. Nagle, Dr. Benjamin Russell, John S. Schumaker, Joseph Ohmeis, Hugh Hastings, F. Forne, Arthur D. Williams, Alfred J. Murray, Frank H. Vogt, William P. Burr, John F. Meyers, jr., of Chicago; Walter Byrne and Robert Kelly.

#### SUFFOCATED BY GAS.

Jean F. Guillon, twenty-two years old, who on Saturday lost arrived from France on the steamship St. Louis was found dead yesterday morning in a lodging-house at No. 68 West-st. Death was due to asphyxiation by gas. It is believed that he blew out the gas through ignorance.





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LETTERS WRITTEN BY MRS. KELSO.

SHE DECLARED HER INTENTION OF KILLING HER CHILDREN AND HERSELF.

Coroner Hoeber held an inquest yesterday afternoon in the cases of Ethel and George Radford Kelso, four and one-half and two and one-half cears old respectively, who were killed on February 21 by their mother, Ethel, while she was insane, at their home, No. 148 West Ninety-fifth-st. George their home, No. 118 West Ninety-fittiest, George Radford Kelso, the husband, is superintendent of the Martin B. Brown Printing Company and is a son of the late ex-Police Superintendent Kelso, Mrs. Kelso suffered from an aliment which necessi-

tated three surgical operations.
On February 21 Mrs. Kelso sent the nurse from home and then killed the children, and gashed her own wrist with a razor in an attempt at suicide. Mr. Kelso testified yesterday: "I found two letters, one under the door and the other on a table." The letters, which the Coroner had not before heard of,

were produced. One of them read:

This is the key of the sitting-room. We are all dead. I love you. This letter was in an envelope containing the key. The other letter was in an envelope stained with

blood. It read:

My Own Rad: It is too much for me, and by the time you receive this we will be dead. I shall give the children soothing syrup, and when they are asieep shoot them, to keep them from suffering. So you see they are not there. For myself, I took some poison this morning while the doctor was not looking, and if that should fail I have the revolver, for which I bought cartridges. Goodby, my darring, my love, and remember that I have never for one moment wavered in my love for you. Try to get over this soon and live to be happy with some better woman. I love you. I have always loved you, and now at the last moment I love you more than ever.

On the envelope was written: blood. It read:

On the envelope was written: Leave directions for your own post-mortem when rou die. I pray you. Mrs. Kelso has been adjudged insane and is now

confined in an asylum. The jury found that the children came to their death at the hands of their mother while she was

#### TO SAIL ON THE ALLER. Among the passengers who will sail to-day for

Southampton and Bremen on the North German Lloyd steamship Aller will be Mr. and Mrs. Emil Beutter, William Bartholomew, Mrs. Hugo Bremer, Miss M. N. Brown, J. E. Bertrand, Mrs. J. M. Clark, Miss Adele Eisenmenger, Miss Clara Frank, H. W. Hiller, Max Hermstedt, Henry Henrici, Mrs. Tony Hambuechen, Mrs. Carrie Kingsbury, Miss Ruth Kingsbury, Dr. Heinrich Kanner, Mr. and Mrs. Otto Kingsbury, Dr. Heinrich Kanner, Mr. and Mrs. Otto Kahn, Mr. and Mrs. Erich Lundt, Mr. and Mrs. William Linke, Henry W. C. Meyer, William P. Me-Vey, William F. Miller, Mrs. Isaac Newhouse, Miss Jennie Newhouse, Miss Laura B. Newhouse, Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Newhouse, Mr. and Mrs. John Naday, Oswald Streatfield, Mr. and Mrs. Emile Sauret, Mr. and Mrs. F. H. Stearns, Mr. and Mrs. Herman Stegmüller, Lieutenant Hans Tauscher, Haron von Meysenburg, Wladislaw Valha, C. H. Whitaker and Miss Derette Zucker.

MYSTERIOUS ROBBERIES EXPLAINED.

Magistrate Deuel, in the Yorkville Court yesterday, committed Harry Wilson, twenty-six years old, on a charge of burglary. William L. Downs, the complairant, keeps a stationery store at No. 1,037 Third-ave. For some time he has missed goods from the store, and the money drawer has been rifled almost every night of such small sums as might be taken in after banking hours. Mr. Downs was puzzled, as he carried the key of the store. The place was always locked, and no evidence of the windows having been tampered with was apparent. On Saturday he consulted Acting Captain Casey, of the East Sixty-seventh-st. station, who

detailed Detectives Collins and Keating to the case.

Mr. Downs gave the detectives the key, and on sunday night they secreted themselves in the store. They had a long wait, but just before midnight, young Wilson let himself in at the front door with a key. He made directly for the cash drawer and had nearly reached it when he discovered the officers. He turned to run, when Keating drew his revolver and ordered him to halt. He halted and was arrested.

was arrested.
Wilson was for some years in Downs's employ,
and was discharged two months ago for dishonesty.
He had a duplicate key unknown to his employer.

METHODIST MINISTERS TO MEET.

THE NEW YORK EAST CONFERENCE TO CONVENE IN NEW-HAVEN ON WEDNESDAY.

New-Haven, March 30 (Special).-The forty-eighth annual session of the New-York East Conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church will begin its work in Trinity Church, in this city, on Wednesday

been selected as the presiding officer. Bishop Mer-rill presided over the Conference in 1885 in Hartford, Conn., and many of the older members remember him with great pleasure.

At this annual session the presiding Bishop, with his advisors, the four presiding elders, will be called upon to assign for the year 1896 nearly three hundred ministers over as many churches in the terri

This evening an Epworth League and Christian

Endeavor rally will be held. The Rev. A. H. Goodenough, president of the New-York District Epworth League, will preside, and the Rev. David G. Downey and the Rev. Frank W. Crowder will deliver addresses, after which an informal reception will be given for Bishop Merrill in

the chapel of the church.
At this session of the Conference sixteen clergymen will have completed the time-limit of five years, and by Church authority must be assigned to other churches. The probabilities are that the twenty ministers who have completed four years of service ferences of the Church a long pastorate is the growing sentiment of both ministers and laymen, and a strong pressure will be brought to bear upon the General Conference, which meets in quadrennial session in Cleveland, Ohio, May 1, to remove the law of

a limited pastorate altogether.
At the session here seven delegates will be chosen, either "by seniority or by an election," as the Book of Discipline provides, to represent the body at the conference in Cleveland. These delegates are usually chosen by election.

be held in the Trinity Church, of which the Rev. Dr. M. W. Prince is the pastor, it is not to be inferred that this church is the entertaining host of this large body of divines, but, according to the invitation extended to the conference at its session in Stamford, Conn., last year, "New-Haven Methodism" is the host, and therefore all Methodists of the city will share in the pleasure of entertaining the

On Friday, April 3, a lay electoral conference, composed of one layman from each circuit or sta-tion, will convene at 10 a. m. for the purpose of choosing two laymen as delegates to the General Conference. This delegated body meets once in four years. Laymen in the law-making body of the Church have been a feature of the Methodist Church since 1872.

The following is the programme for Tuesday and Wednesday: TUESDAY, MARCH 31.

Morning, 10:30 o'clock-Examination of classes in conference studies.

Evening, 7:45 o'clock—Conference anniversary of

the Epworth leagues and other young people's so-cieties. Brief reports by the district presidents. Address by the Rev. F. W. Crowder and the Rev. D. G. Downey. Informal reception in the chapel, with an address by Bishop Merrill.

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 1.

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Morning, 9 o'clock—Opening session of the conference. The holy communion will be administered under the direction of Bishop Merrili.

Afternoon, 2:30 o'clock—Anniversary of the Woman's Home Missionary Society, the Rev. Saul O. Curtis presiding. Report of the year by the corresponding secretary, Mrs. S. D. Compton. Address on general work, Mrs. May Leonard Woodruff. Address on deaconess work, the Rev. Charles S. Wing. Music in cnarge of Mrs. J. Q. Maynard.

Evening, 1:30 o'clock—Anniversary of the Church Extension Society, the Rev. Dr. George E. Reed presiding. Address, the Rev. Dr. George E. Reed presiding. Address, the Rev. Dr. W. A. Spencer, corresponding secretary of the Church Extension Society.

Evening, 7:30 o'clock—At the First M. E. Church, anniversary of the Conference Swedish Mission, the Rev. S. L. Carlander presiding.

Arrangements have been made with the New-York, New-Haven and Hartford Railroad, by which

all persons, both ministers and laymen, will be re-turned at half-rate. The Rev. A. J. Smith has been chosen as railway secretary, and all applicants will be furnished with an order on which a half-rate ticket can be purchased at the station.

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A MAN AND A WOMAN ARRESTED, ACCUSED OF STEALING FURS FROM SIEGEL

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Frank Regan, twenty-five years old, was arrested yesterday afternoon at No. 19 Delancey-st., to-gether with a young woman known as Lillian Re-gan, alias Lillian Mansfield, alias "Indian Lil," who says she is Regan's common-law wife. The couple are charged with complicity in robbing the firm of Siegel, Cooper & Co., in Chicago, of \$5,000 worth of furs. A man named Frederick Stoneham is now under arrest in Chicago for the robbery, and

as the necessary papers are prepared. Regan says he is an electrician. About the holidays the furs were stolen from Siegel, Cooper & Co.'s store, and about the same time Regan disarpeared. Stoneham was arrested shortly afterward for stealing some tools, and he then confessed the for stealing some tools, and he then confessed the fur robbery. He said that he sent the furs down on an elevator to Regan, who handed them over to two men to carry away. The firm communicated with lawyers here, who engaged a private detective to look for Regan in this city. The detective found the man at No. 19 Delancey-st, yesterday afternoon and hurried to Police Headquarters, together with Detective Berry, of the Chicago police, who had come to New-York in pursuit of Regan. Berry had a copy of the indictment secured against Regan and the woman. This was given to Central Office Detectives Foye and Frank Price, who went to the Delancey-st, house and arrested the pair.

The woman told Captain O'Brien that she and Regan went from Chicago to Buffalo, where she pawned some of the stolen furs. She pawned more of them here. Captain O'Brien learned from her the places in which the furs had been pawned and sent out Detectives Price and Foye to recover them. The prisoners will be arraigned to-day in the Essex Market Court.

CORONER TUTHILL SWORN IN.

Coroner Tuthill was sworn in yesterday by Judge McAdam, in the Supreme Court. He then visited the Coroner's Office, where he met Coroners, Hoebes, Fitzpatrick and Dobbs, who, with Chief Clerk Reynolds, explained the workings of the office. Coroner Tuthill's first regular inquest day will be Tuesday, April 7.

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